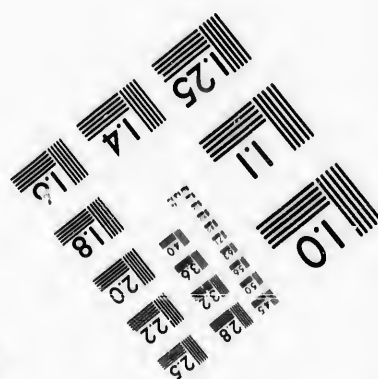
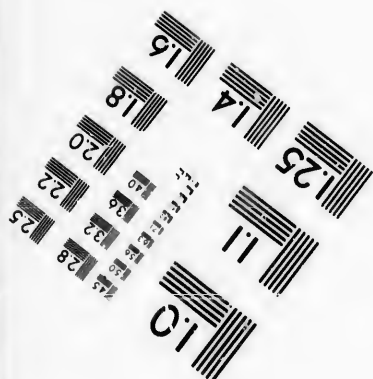
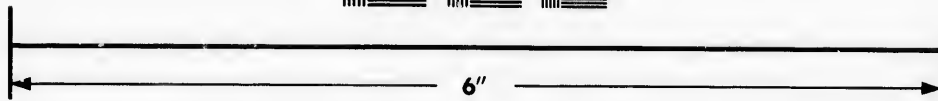
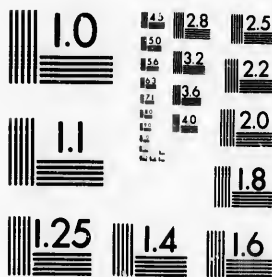


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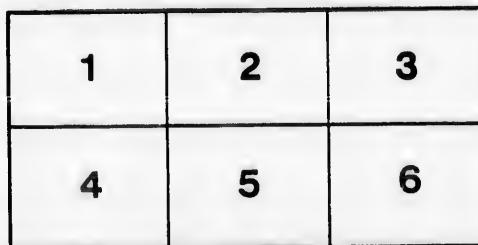
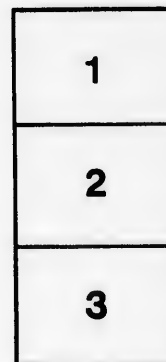
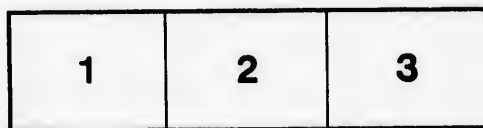
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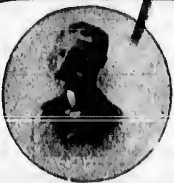
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2. CHORUS—"Hallelujah" *Handel*  
LONDON CHORAL SOCIETY.
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4. TENOR SOLO—"Aria" (Aida) *Verdi*  
SIGNOR BALDANZA.
5. SOPRANO SOLO—"Serenade" —  
(Violin Obligato—Mr. Geo. Angus.)  
MADAME BALDANZA.
6. SOLO—"Clang of the Forge" *Paul Rodney*  
MR. FRANK FIRTH.
7. DUETTO—"Masnadiri" *Verdi*  
MADAME AND SIGNOR BALDANZA.
8. TENOR SOLO—"Faust" *Gounod*  
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Mamma—No' Your doll is just as good  
as new.

Flossie—Well I'se dest as dood as new, but  
Dod dave 'oo another little dir.

**TOMMY'S BREAK.**

(From Puck.)

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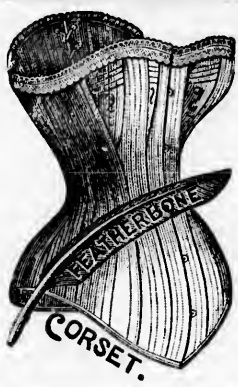
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the rose,

For, coming down to beauty, you're in it, "I'll  
tell you those."

Oh, woman, lovely woman, thy charms are  
ever great,

Thou dost keep the men all guessing some-  
times at a lively rate.

How often hast thou caught them with thy  
smile so fair to see,

Oh, woman, lovely woman, come, wilt "smile  
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And tell them when they printing want—  
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